

## WERNECKE SAYS HE ACTED LIKE "PERFECT" GENTLEMAN

The testimony of three bakers at present on strike at Henrici's to the effect that they had worked eleven and twelve hours a day for seven days a week at a wage as low as \$7 up to \$10 a week was heard yesterday in the injunction proceedings of the Henrici Company against picketing waitresses before Judges McGoorty, Baldwin and Windes.

Fred Hebele testified that he had received \$10 a week, Hugo Klier that he received \$7 a week and Frank Hartman that Henrici's paid him \$8 a week.

In rebuttal evidence against charges of police brutality, the city put Officers Harold T. Fogerty and John Wernecke on the stand.

Officer Wernecke is accused by Ora Duree of wrenching her arm, but Wernecke, who admits weighing over 200 pounds, was sure he had treated Ora very considerably and that it had required the combined weight of himself and Officer Wolff, who weighs close to 200 pounds, to get Ora to the corner. He did not see anything amusing in the fact that two heavy-weight cops were needed to arrest one little girl.

He was also sure that he had talked to her in quite a paternal fashion, telling her to "come along like a good girl like her pal did."

Wernecke said he had been given orders by the lieutenant of the First District police station to go over to Henrici's, but he could not remember the name of the lieutenant. He also said there were five men on his staff, and that they went on Randolph street in plain clothes.

He admitted that he had no instructions to arrest the girls for saying there was a strike on at Henrici's and no warrants, but that he took a chance.

Wernecke was sure that he had arrested girls every time he heard them say, "There is a strike on at Henrici's," or words to that effect,

which, according to previous testimony, would have given Wernecke a couple of hundred arrests to his credit in the time he was on the street, if not a few thousand. He did not explain the difference between the number of arrests that would have been to his credit had this testimony been correct in comparison with the actual number of arrests he had made, but he identified photographs of himself in the act of arresting a girl as photographs of his arrest of Ora Duree, and Judge McEwen for the Henrici Restaurant Company made a statement to the effect that the Chicago Daily News had obligingly furnished the photographs which were being used as evidence by Henrici.

Wernecke further admitted that he and some of the other plain clothes men had been getting their meals in Henrici's restaurant at the instruction of Sergeant Anderson.

Harry Atwell, a photographer, produced some photographs of what he claimed was the situation on Randolph street March 9, at a time when arrests were a daily occurrence and the knowledge that these arrests were taking place each day had brought a number of curious people to the street.

Atwell said he had gotten his instructions from Charlie Furthman to take these photographs and he believed Henrici's would pay the bill. He claimed to have taken the photographs on a fire escape in the Union Hotel across the street and said that he heard the pickets at that distance, but was unable to tell what he had heard them say.

## DISCUSS NEW WAGE SCALE

Representatives of 270,000 bituminous coal miners met with mine bosses yesterday and discussed the new wage scale which must be signed with operators in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois by April 1. The miners expect a little trouble with the Pennsylvania bosses.